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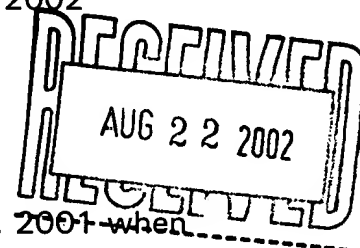
TITLE: METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING DATA PACKETS AND  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:



A first Information Disclosure Statement was filed on 23 JAN. 2001 when the present application was filed. Subsequently, U.S. counsel learned that a European search report in a corresponding application cited EP 0 584 627-A2, POWELL et al/ALCATEL, published 2 MAR. 1994, which claimed priority from U.S.S.N. 08/ 935,008, filed 25 AUG. 1992. The U.S. priority application matured into POWELL et al. U.S. Patents 5,402,452 & 5,528,530. Since the US patents have **earlier effective dates** than the EP document, they are submitted herewith for the Examiner's consideration. They are in English and each cite a number of other US documents, so their relevance will be readily apparent. Therefore, **this submission complies with M.P.E.P. § 609.**

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The examiner is requested to **return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449** to confirm that the references have been considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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